IN THE CLAIMS:

1.-37. (Cancelled).

38. (New) A compound having a formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
(R^4)_n R^3 \\
N \\
R^2
\end{array}$$

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

n is an integer 0 through 2;

 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, $N(R^h)_2$, OR^h , carboxy, nitro, cyano, CHO, carboxamide, thiocarboxamide, acyl, trifluoromethyl, heteroaryl, and substituted heteroaryl;

 R^2 is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, substituted alkyl, carbamoyl, carboxamide, $N(R^h)_2$, carboxy, OR^h , sulfamyl, nitro, $OP(=O)(OR^h)_2$, and sulfonamide; or

 R^1 and R^2 are taken together with the carbon atoms to which each is attached to form a 5- or 6-membered unsaturated or partially saturated ring, wherein 1, 2, or 3 carbon atoms of R^1 and R^2 optionally are a heteroatom selected from the group consisting of 0, N, S, and P, said ring optionally substituted with one or more =0, =S, =NH, OR^h , $N(R^h)$, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, or substituted heteroaryl, said heteroatom optionally substituted with a group consist-

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5 b 131 ing of aryl, substituted aryl, alkyl, alkyl substituted with acyl, and acyl;

R³, independently, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, sulfonamido, sulfamyl, sulfonyl chloride, and sulfo;

wherein R^h, independently, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, and substituted heteroaryl; and

 R^4 , independently, is selected from the group consisting of OR^h , alkyl substituted alkyl, aryl, and substituted aryl;

with the proviso that when R^2 and R^4 are hydrogen, and R^3 is H, then R^1 is different from -(CO)-CH₃, and nitro.

Ar Sub Asub BI 39. (New) The compound of claim 38 wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of -H, -OH, -NH₂, -CH₂OH, -C \equiv N, -(CO)-N(R^h)₂, -(CO)-OH, -(CO)-O-CH₃, -(CO)-CE₃, -(CO)H, -NO₂, -(CO)-alkyl, -(CO)-substituted alkyl, -(CO)-aryl, -(CO)-substituted aryl, -(CO)-heteroaryl, and -(CO)-CH₂-N(R^h)₂.

40. (New) The compound of claim 38 wherein $R^2 \text{ is -OH, -CH}_2\text{-OH, -NH}_2, \text{ -NH-(CO)-CF}_3, \text{ -NH-(CO)-CH}_3, \\ -\text{NH-(SO}_2)\text{-CH}_3, \text{ -NH-CH}_3, \text{ and -N(CH}_3)\text{-(CO)-CF}_3.$

41. (New) The compound of claim 38 having a formula